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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, CI

SUBJECT: CHILE: REPORT RE EX-DINA OFFICIAL IN WASHINGTON

1. IN CONNECTION WITH ALLEGATIONS THAT A DIRECTORATE OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE (DINA) WAS SOMEHOW INVOLVED IN BOMBING OF ORLANDO LETELIER -- DEPARTMENT SHOULD KNOW THAT FRANK MANITZAS, U.S. FREE-LANCE JOURNALIST NOW IN SANTIAGO, VISIT EMBOFF SEPTEMBER 27 TO INQUIRE REGARDING CHILEAN AIR FORCE COLONEL MARIO JAHN. MANITZAS DESCRIBED JAHN AS "EX-DEPUTY OF DINA: NOW IN U.S. WITH THE U.S. INTER-AMERICAN DEFENSE BOARD." MANITZAS SAID HIS SOURCES HAD SPECULATED THAT JAHN WAS IN U.S. TO DRUM UP SUPPORT WITH HIS SOUTHERN CONE COLLEAGUES FOR JOINT INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY OPERATIONS.

2. EMBOFF AGREED TO SEE IF HE COULD FIND OUT ANYTHING ABOUT JAHN. HE LATER CONFIRMED TO MANITZAS THAT JAHN HAD BEEN ASSIGNED TO U.S. BY GOC, HAD REPORTEDLY LEFT CHILE EARLY THIS YEAR, AND HAD BEEN PUBLICLY KNOWN TO BE A DINA DEPUTY CHIEF. EMBOFF REFERRED MANITZAS TO CHILEAN AIR FORCE PUBLIC RELATIONS FOR ANY FURTHER INFORMATION.

3. OTHER SOURCES INFORM US THAT JAHN WAS DINA DEPUTY DIRECTOR

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AND ARRIVED WASHINGTON EARLY JANUARY 1976, AND IS WITH THE

INTER-AMERICAN DEFENSE BOARD.

4. WE CALL TO YOUR ATTENTION TWO POINTS: FIRST, IMPLICATIONS  
FOR INVESTIGATION OF LETELIER'S DEATH; SECOND, QUESTION OF ROLE  
OF INTER-AMERICAN DEFENSE BOARD WITH RESPECT TO ACTIVITIES  
OF SOUTHERN CONE GOVERNMENTS.  
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